



Report to the Community

July 2016 - June 2017

ONCE AGAIN WE'VE MADE HISTORY TOGETHER

On June 30, Animal Humane Society celebrated the end of its most successful fiscal year to date, with a record-setting number of adoptions and our highest placement rate ever. Together, we placed more than 96 percent of the animals entrusted to our care, helped 23,565 animals find new homes, and served thousands of Minnesota families through free and affordable programs for people and pets.

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AHS continues to transform the way shelters everywhere care for animals and engage their communities. In 2017 we invested in expanded behavior programs,

advanced medical treatments, foster care, and post-adoption support to help even the most challenged animals get a second chance.

We've also made strategic investments in ground-breaking new programs and infrastructure that will help us serve even more animals beyond our shelter walls.

The integration of Kindest Cut into the operations of AHS in 2016 has expanded our direct impact on animals and people in underserved communities by delivering low-cost spay/neuter, wellness, dental, and specialty veterinary services to thousands of pets from income-qualified families and animals in the care of nonprofit rescue organizations.

Our new Animal Transport Alliance with Chicago's Anti-Cruelty Society and the Wisconsin Humane Society works to transport dogs and cats from the southern United States to shelters in Minnesota, Illinois, and Wisconsin. These and other partnerships across the country help us meet the needs of our community while assisting other organizations with resources and options that were previously unavailable to them.

We have so much more to celebrate. This report includes highlights from each of our program areas — and you'll find record-setting accomplishments and aspirations worth cheering throughout.

Your support makes it all possible. Thank you.

Adoption and Surrender

Animal Humane Society helps thousands of dogs, cats, and critters in need find loving homes each year — and no animal is ever turned away. AHS takes in every animal surrendered regardless of its health, age, breed, or behavior. This commitment to open admission guarantees shelter and care to thousands of animals that would otherwise have no safe refuge.

The success of Animal Humane Society's shelter program is reflected in three key measures: the total number of animals admitted for rehoming (intake), the percentage of animals with live placements (placement rate), and the average length of stay in shelter. AHS continues to achieve strong results across all three metrics.

In the year ended June 30, 2017:

24,490 ANIMALS ARRIVED AT AHS

20,062 ANIMALS ADOPTED

+ **998** ANIMALS REUNITED WITH OWNERS

+ **1,103** CATS RETURNED TO FIELD

+ **1,402** ANIMALS TRANSFERRED TO PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

23,565 ANIMALS PLACED

96.6%
ANIMALS PLACED

20,062 ADOPTIONS
**HIGHEST IN
AHS HISTORY**



10.1 DAYS

AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY FOR ANIMALS IN SHELTER

To prepare the animals for adoption, we rely on our expert behavioral and medical staff.

14,082 SPAY/NEUTER SURGERIES

1,607 CATS AND DOGS ENROLLED IN BEHAVIOR PROGRAMS



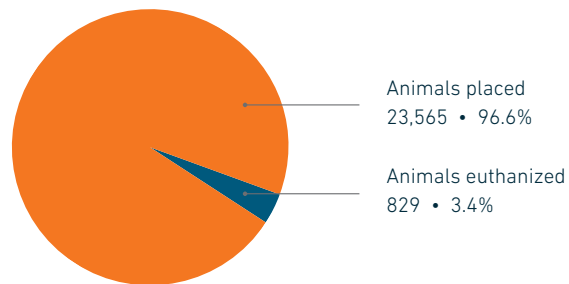
A new hospice adoption program helps dogs, cats, and critters diagnosed with terminal illnesses spend their remaining time in loving homes. The program, piloted for eight months in Coon Rapids before rolling out to other sites, placed 28 animals during FY17.

About the Animals

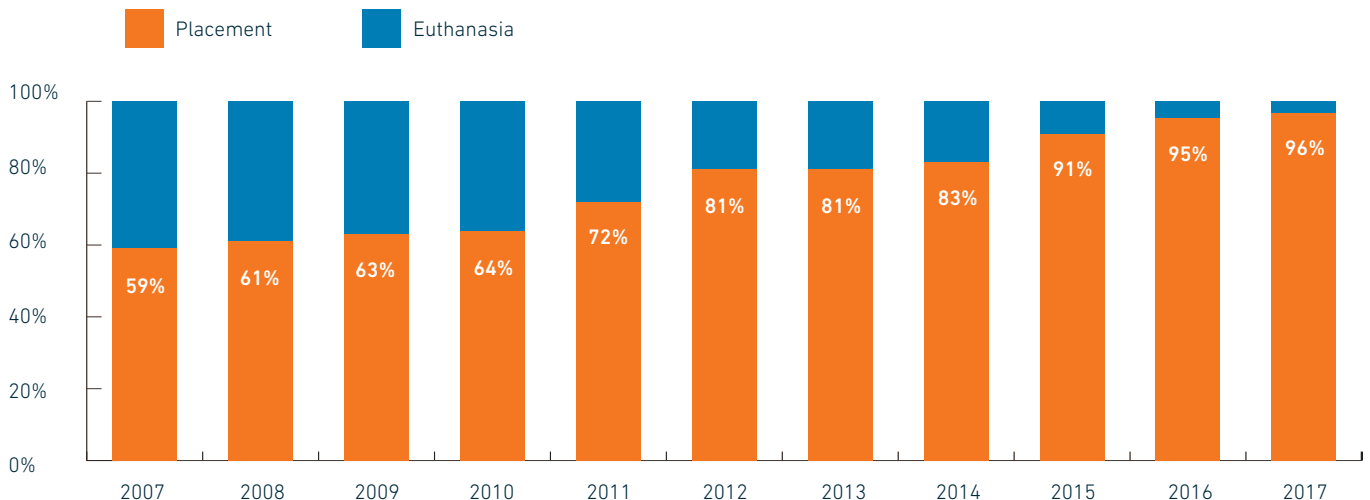
COMPANION ANIMAL OUTCOMES

Over the past decade, Animal Humane Society's placement rate has improved dramatically, from 59 percent in FY07 to more than 96 percent in FY17. Placement rate is determined by using the Asilomar Live Release Rate formula, which is calculated by dividing total live outcomes (adoptions, transfers, and returns) by total outcomes (total live outcomes plus euthanasia). Companion animals that remained in our care and those surrendered for end-of-life services (owner requested euthanasia) are excluded from this calculation.

More than 96 percent of the animals in our care were placed in homes, reunited with owners, or released to other animal welfare organizations.

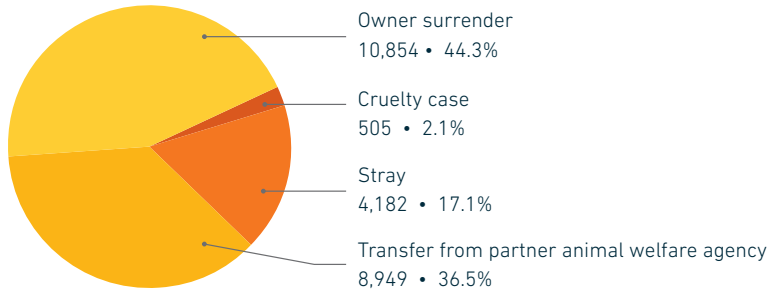


PLACEMENT RATE OVER TIME

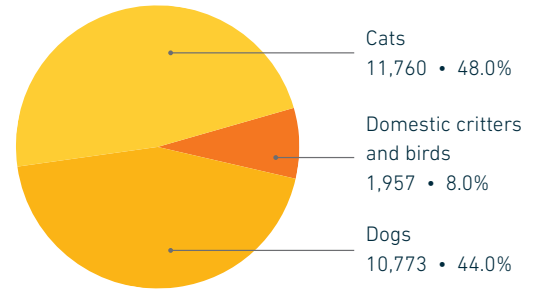


COMPANION ANIMAL INTAKE TOTAL: 24,490

Companion animal intake by reason for surrender

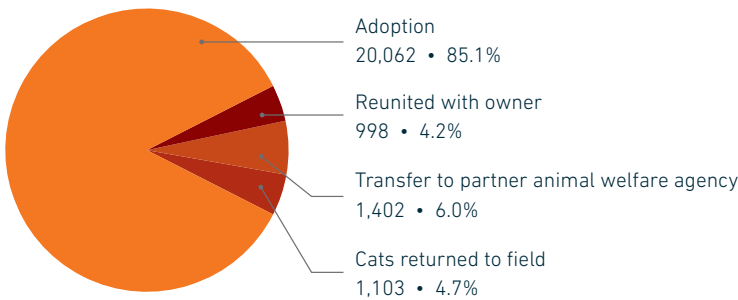


Companion animal intake by species

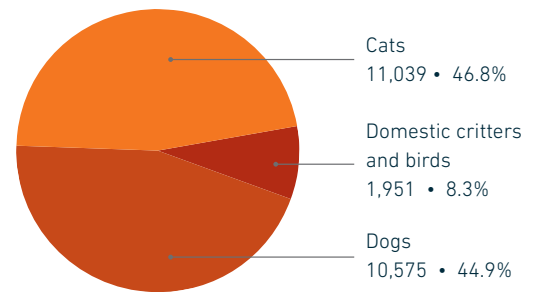


COMPANION ANIMAL PLACEMENT TOTAL: 23,565

Companion animal placement by type

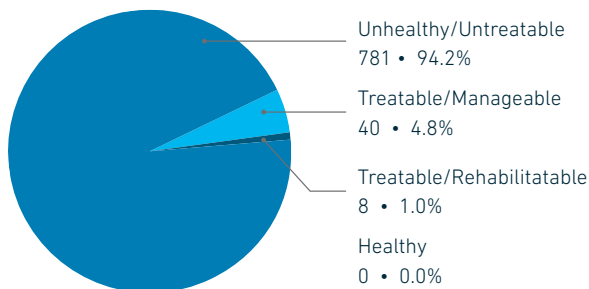


Companion animal placement by species

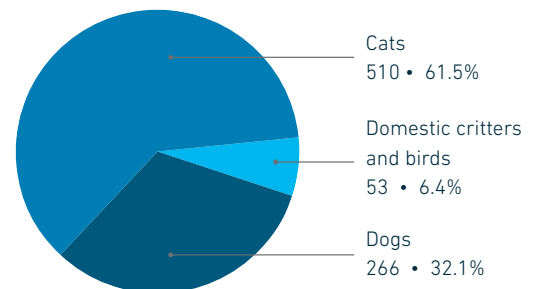


COMPANION ANIMAL EUTHANASIA TOTAL: 829

Euthanasia by reason*



Euthanasia by species



*AHS is committed to taking in every animal in need. Unfortunately, some animals come to us with severe or untreatable illnesses or behavior issues that prevent us from placing them in the community. If we cannot help an animal become healthy or suitable for placement, humane euthanasia is the most compassionate alternative. AHS has not euthanized a healthy animal for any reason since 2011. There is no time limit for animals in our care.

For information about these statistics, please see animalhumanesociety.org/stats.

Community Engagement

Animal Humane Society works with individuals and organizations across Minnesota to create a more humane world for animals.

OUTREACH



Our Community Outreach program aims to increase the overall health and well-being of animals by empowering people who live in under-engaged communities through education and resources.

6,019

FAMILIES SUPPORTED IN FROGTOWN AND EAST ST. PAUL

1,862

FREE SPAY/NEUTER SURGERIES FOR PETS

981

PETS SERVED AT FREE WELLNESS CLINICS

114 FREE TRAINING SESSIONS



Thanks to free in-home training sessions in our Outreach community, dozens of animals are showing off new manners (and getting lots of treats for it)!

EDUCATION

Our education programs foster humane values and compassion for animals through day camps, classroom programs, in-shelter tours, and other activities for kids and families.



12,489
PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

1,888

STUDENTS IN CLASSROOM PROGRAMS

1,110

CAMP PARTICIPANTS

WILDLIFE

444 injured and orphaned wild animals received emergency care through a partnership with the Wildlife Rehabilitation Center of Minnesota.

COMMUNITY CATS

1,796 cats were served through our Community Cats program which focuses on reducing euthanasia and providing alternative solutions for feral and free-roaming cats through return-to-field and trap-neuter-return programs.



1,796
COMMUNITY CATS

Pet Services

Animal Humane Society offers more than just adoption. Our programs serve all stages of an animal's life.

KINDEST CUT

Kindest Cut delivers low-cost spay/neuter, wellness, dental, and specialty veterinary services for pets of people in need at Melrose Animal Clinic and 27 mobile clinic locations.

11,627

SPAY/NEUTER SURGERIES

4,182

WELLNESS EXAMS AND PROCEDURES

TRAINING

We offer more than 70 family-friendly pet training classes each week, along with one-on-one training and socialization sessions, therapy animal courses, play groups, and rabbit agility classes.

1,512

PETS TRAINED AT AHS



220

DAYS TRAVELED TO PROVIDE SPAY/NEUTER SERVICES

Kindest Cut's mobile clinic was on the road 220 days this past year traveling to 27 Minnesota communities to provide spay/neuter services to animals in need.



PET HELPLINE

Our free Pet Helpline (952-HELP-PET) provides pet owners with support and resources seven days a week.

72,149

INCOMING CALLS

ANIMAL HOUSE PET BOARDING

We provide pets with a home away from home through affordable boarding at Animal House in Golden Valley.

3,191 PETS FROM **1,177** FAMILIES

END-OF-LIFE SERVICES

AHS provided compassionate end-of-life services, including owner-requested euthanasia for 2,151 pets and a weekly pet loss support group.

Humane Investigations

Our humane agents investigate possible animal cruelty or neglect throughout Minnesota.

From reports of individual animals that are lacking proper food, water, or shelter, to larger cases of aiding law enforcement agencies with on-site investigations and seizures, their work takes them across nearly every inch of the state.



1,758
REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE

501
FORMAL CASES

63
COUNTIES ASSISTED

6,156
ANIMALS IMPACTED

Critical Response Team



Our Critical Response Team provides specialized expertise to support humane cases that result in the seizure or surrender of animals. Animal Humane Society removed 806 animals from dangerous or unhealthy conditions.

Partnerships

Animal Humane Society proudly partners with other rescue organizations to help even the most challenged animals get a second chance.

Animals that experience high stress in shelter and display fearful or aggressive behavior at AHS will often flourish with rescue groups that can provide a non-shelter environment.

97 LOCAL RESCUE PARTNERS ASSISTED AHS WITH 1,402 ANIMALS (5.9% OF OUR TOTAL PLACEMENTS)

AHS works with rescue groups from other areas of the country where resources for animals are scarce and adoption rates are low.

8,949 ANIMALS WERE TRANSPORTED TO AHS FROM 108 LOCAL AND NATIONAL RESCUE PARTNERS



MORE THAN
100,000
MILES TRAVELED

The Animal Transport Alliance hit the road for the first time in FY17, logging more than 100,000 miles to bring more than 2,500 dogs and cats from southern shelters to find homes in Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Illinois.

Community Support

The support of donors, friends, and advocates makes our work possible.

VOLUNTEERS



2,478
ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS



171,641
VOLUNTEER HOURS



398
FOSTER VOLUNTEERS



2,946
ANIMALS FOSTERED

GENEROUS DONORS

49,135
INDIVIDUAL DONORS

\$7.1 MILLION
IN CONTRIBUTIONS

\$3.2 MILLION
IN BEQUESTS

ONLINE ENGAGEMENT



2,035
ANIMAL ADVOCATES



109,908
FACEBOOK FANS



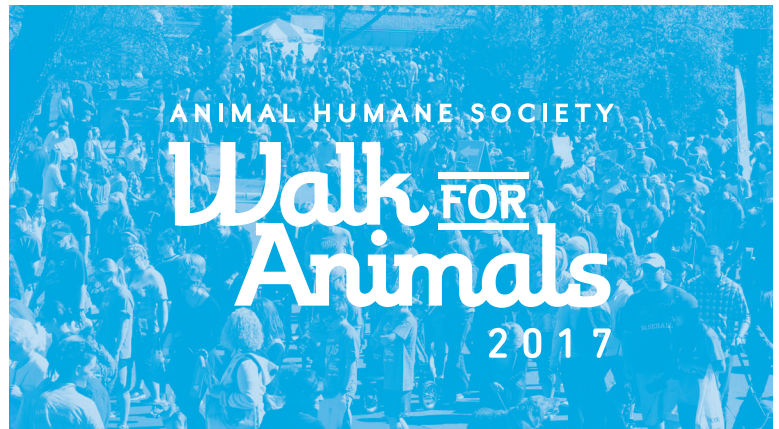
6,402
TWITTER FOLLOWERS



14,205
INSTAGRAM FOLLOWERS



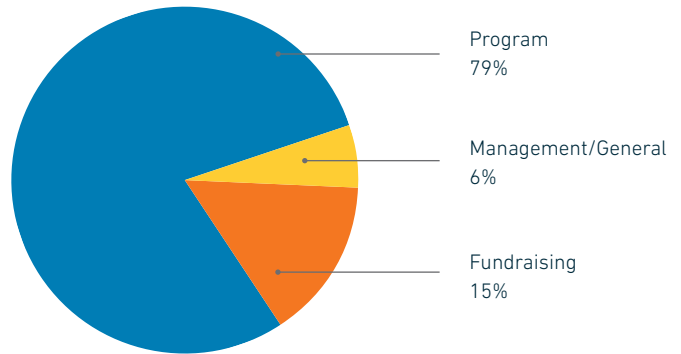
4,612
YOUTUBE SUBSCRIBERS



More than 8,000 people and 5,000 pets attended the Walk for Animals on May 6, raising more than \$1 million to support AHS.



Financials



ANIMAL HUMANE SOCIETY STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the 12 months ended June 30, 2017

SUPPORT AND REVENUES

Adoption fees and program revenue	7,813,581
Contributions	7,109,304
Wills and estates	3,268,092
In-kind contributions	444,880
Special events and promotions	1,054,562
Investment gain (loss)	576,376
Dividend and interest income	137,959
Other	118,862

TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUES 20,523,616

EXPENSES

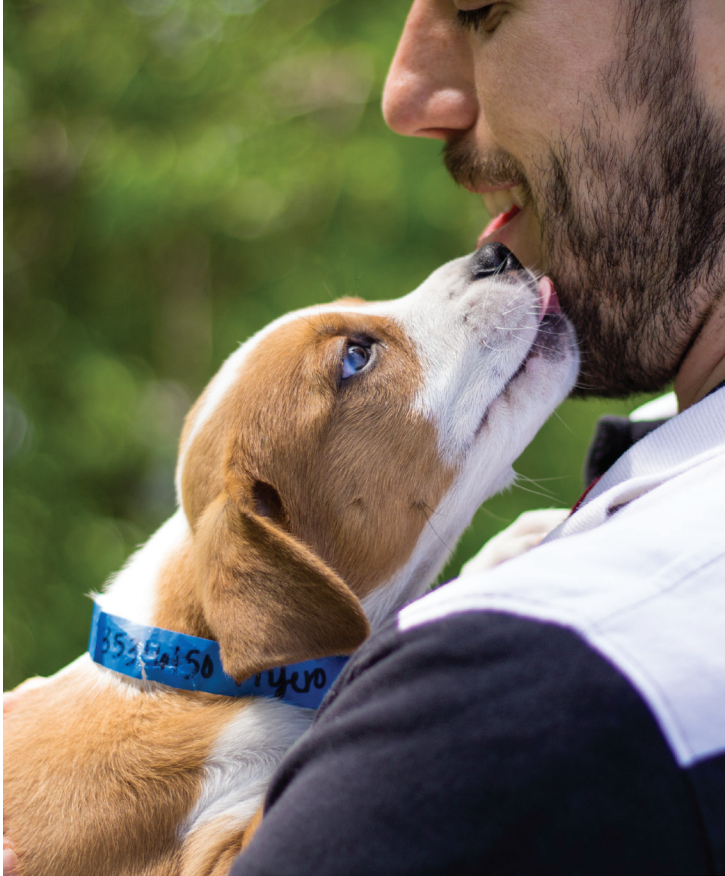
Program services:	
Rescue and outreach	2,973,646
Adoption and surrender	11,732,994
Pet services	1,035,702
Supporting services:	
Management and general	1,070,034
Fundraising	3,022,851
Total supporting services	4,092,885

TOTAL EXPENSES 19,835,227

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS 688,389



The Minnesota Charities Review Council's Standards of Accountability state that at least 70% of an organization's annual expenses should be for program activity with not more than 30% for management, general, and fundraising expenses combined. Animal Humane Society exceeded this standard by directing 79% of our expenses back into programming for the animals and our community.



The mission of Animal Humane Society is to engage the hearts, hands, and minds of the community to help animals.

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AREA SERVED

Animal Humane Society serves animals and people in the seven-county metro area and beyond from its facilities in Anoka, Hennepin, Ramsey, Washington, and Wright counties. The Humane Investigations team provides services throughout Minnesota.